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SUBJECT: SOUTH AFRICAN NATIONAL CONGRESS OFFICIAL SKEPTICAL  
OF U.S. POLICY IN SOUTHERN AFRICA

SUMMARY: SOUTH AFRICAN NATIONAL CONGRESS REPRESENTATIVE  
TOLD THE PRESS IN LUSAKA FEBRUARY 8 HIS ORGANIZATION REMAINED  
SKEPTICAL OF U.S. PROMISES REGARDING SOUTHERN AFRICA  
BECAUSE OF ITS PREVIOUS NEGATIVE POLICY TOWARD THE LIBERA-  
TION STRUGGLE. OFFICIAL SPELLED OUT STEPS U.S.  
SHOULD TAKE TO ESTABLISH ITS CREDIBILITY, EXPRESSED A WAIT  
AND SEE ATTITUDE ON ROLE OF AMBASSADOR YOUNG AND  
DESCRIBED GENEVA TALKS AS A "SMOKE-SCREEN" TO SAVE SMITH  
REGIME. END SUMMARY.

1. AN ALGERIAN-BASED OFFICIAL OF THE AFRIC BUREAU OF  
THE SOUTH AFRICAN NATIONAL CONGRESS, MFANAFUTHI MAKATINI  
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WAS QUOTED IN THE FEBRUARY 9 ZAMBIAN PRESS AS SAYING:  
" WE WILL REMAIN HIGHLY SKEPTICAL TOWARDS THE PROMISES  
BEING MADE BY THE U.S. GOVERNMENT BECAUSE OF ITS PRE-  
VIOUS NEGATIVE POLICIES TOWARDS THE LIBERATION STRUGGLE  
IN SOUTHERN AFRICA". MAKATINI EXPRESSED DOUBT THAT  
THE CARTER ADMINISTRATION WOULD STOP VETOING EFFORTS  
OF THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY TO ISOLATE OFFENDING

REGIMES IN SOUTHERN AFRICA.

2. U.S. TO ESTABLISH ITS CREDIBILITY SHOULD:

PUBLICLY RENOUNCE NSSM 39;  
RECOGNIZE ANGOLA;  
REPEAL THE BYRD AMENDMENT;  
SUPPORT U.N. DECISIONS AIMED AT THE SALISBURY AND  
PRETORIA REGIMES.

3. ACKNOWLEDGING AWARENESS OF AMBASSADOR YOUNG'S  
CREDENTIALS AS A MAN DEDICATED TO FREEDOM, MAKITINI  
WONDERED IF YOUNG'S ROLE "IS TO WATER DOWN AFRICA'S  
MILITANCY AND DETERMINATION, OR TO UPLIFT OUR JUST CAUSE  
AGAINST THE SYSTEM CONDEMNED AS A CRIME AGAINST HUMANITY".  
TIME WILL TELL IF YOUNG'S ROLE IS "TO FURTHER AFRICA'S  
ASPIRATIONS, OR TO USE HIS COLOR TO FRUSTRATE THEM".

4. WHILE THE AFRICAN LEADERS WERE SERIOUS ABOUT THE GENEVA  
TALKS, BRITAIN, KISSINGER AND SMITH INTENDED TO USE THE  
TALKS AS A "SMOKE-SCREEN" TO SAVE THE SMITH REGIME.

5. MAKATINI URGED AFRICAN COUNTRIES TO IMPLEMENT THE  
OAU RESOLUTION THAT AN ATTACK AGAINST A MEMBER STATE  
IS AN ATTACK AGAINST ALL AFRICAN COUNTRIES. HE ALSO  
SAID THAT HIS ORGANIZATION HAD REQUESTED MORE MILITARY  
AID FROM THE OAU THROUGH THE LIBERATION COMMITTEE.  
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